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TAGS: ENRG, TECH, MNUC

SUBJECT: AUSTRIAN NUCLEAR TALKS WITH IRAN AND EGYPT

REF: VIENNA 5934

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C. US NEGOTIATORS WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THIS ISSUE DURING LATE JULY VISIT.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE REPORT ON FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH REITBAUER. CHRISTOPHER

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